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THRU-TUBING SAND CONTROL METHOD AND APPARATUS

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this ____ day of August, 1999, personally appeared Patrick W. Bixenman known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the

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